



# National Board of Navigation

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## PILOT REQUISITION TIMES

For the purpose of improving the efficiency of the Finnish pilot service, the National Board of Navigation made a decision on 21 December 1993 on new reporting and pilot requisition times, which shall apply as from 1 January 1994. This decision repeals the Board's previous decision on pilotage distances and pilot requisition times (24 Nov. 1989), as far as pilot requisition times are concerned, and sub-paragraph 6 of the Board's decision on a traffic information system in the Archipelago Sea (13 March 1989).

The decision on pilotage distances (24 Nov. 1989) and the decision on certain pilotage distances in the Archipelago Sea (3 April 1991) are still in force. They were published in the Board's Circular No. 16/24.11.1989 and 16/10.6.1991 respectively. The decision on a traffic information system in the Archipelago Sea was published in Circular No. 11/29.5.1989.

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**NATIONAL BOARD OF NAVIGATION  
DECISION  
PILOT REQUISITION TIMES ON THE FINNISH COAST**

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The National Board of Navigation recommends the following pilot requisition times:

Section 1

When approaching from the sea, ships which have to employ a pilot should report 24 hours in advance and make a binding request for a pilot 6 hours before reaching the pilot boarding position. If the estimated time of arrival changes, a new report should be made at least 3 hours in advance. Likewise, a report should be made 12 hours before departure and a binding pilot requisition at least 3 hours before departure from port.

For the purpose of safety at sea, ships other than those having to employ a pilot should also report to the pilot station according to the above recommendation.

The reports should detail the ship, the cargo, other factors affecting the safe passage of the ship and the port of destination.

Section 2

This decision shall enter into force on 1 January 1994.

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